

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## SHERIFF'S OFFICE WINS 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE IN VIRIGINIA LAW ENFORCEMENT CHALLENGE

The Fauquier County Sheriff's Office won second place in the Virginia Law Enforcement Challenge for the best traffic safety programs in 2015. The awards were presented at the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police annual training conference on Tuesday, September 20, in Roanoke, Virginia.

Thirty Virginia law enforcement agencies entered the challenge. The Law Enforcement Challenge Program promotes professionalism in traffic safety enforcement and encourages agencies to share best practices. The awards are based on entries that highlight an agency's traffic safety education and enforcement activities in occupant protection, impaired driving and speed over the past calendar year.

Fauquier County Sheriff's Office was awarded second place in the category for a sheriff's office with 81-160 deputies for our efforts in 2015. Points are awarded to agencies in six areas compromising a comprehensive traffic safety program: problem identification, policies, planning, training, public information and education, enforcement and evaluation of the agency effort. The award was accepted by Lt. Andy Marshall and 1st Sgt. Darrell Shores.

The Virginia Law Enforcement Challenge Awards program is supported by a grant from the Virginia Highway Safety Office. Additional information about the Law Enforcement Challenge program can be found online at http://www.smartsafeandsober.org/programs/LEC.

The Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police & Foundation is a statewide organization of federal, state and local police chiefs and law enforcement executives dedicated to improving the professionalism of police agencies in Virginia. The Association was founded in 1926 and has more than 600 members. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.vachiefs.org">http://www.vachiefs.org</a>.

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SHERIFF'S OFFICES	
no entries	_
Sheriff 2: 21-40 Deputies	Place
Westmoreland County Sheriff's Office IACP National Challenge Winner: 1 <sup>st</sup> place, Sheriff 1 (1-50 Deputies)	1
New Kent County Sheriff's Office	2
Sheriff 3: 41-80 Deputies	Place
no entries	
Sheriff 4: 81-160 Deputies	Place
Gloucester County Sheriff's Office IACP National Challenge Winner: 1st place, Sheriff 2 (51-150 Deputies)	1
Fauquier County Sheriff's Office	2
Sheriff 5: 161-300 Deputies	Place
Hanover County Sheriff's Office IACP National Challenge Winner: 3 <sup>rd</sup> place, Sheriff 3 (151 or More Deputies)	1
Stafford County Sheriff's Office	2
Sheriff 6: 301 or More Deputies	Place
no entries	-

